

BERLIN RELIES ON CONGRESS TO FORCE WARNING

Officials of German Government are Confident Wilson Will be Compelled to Change Views.

TEUTON CAPITAL IS STIRRED

Rumors Circulate That Wilson is Contemplating a Demand for the Recall of Ambassador Bernstorff—Feeling Against America Daily Grows More Intense.

(By Carl Ackerman.) BERLIN, Feb. 26.—Germany counts upon congress to force Wilson to retreat from his position in the German-American situation, the United Press was reliably informed. Officials declined to comment, but the general feeling here is that if the armed merchantmen decree is referred to congress it will pass a resolution warning Americans from traveling on armed ships.

Gerard and Von Jarow declared they had received no intimation that Wilson was considering a demand to recall Bernstorff. Feeling against America daily grows more intense. Public and officials see frankly bitter in their criticism of the president for refusing to warn Americans to avoid armed ships. The consensus of opinion is that the recall of diplomats would have the worst possible effect upon negotiations.

Gerard, despite his recent accident, is now at his desk.

Clothing Workers strike. PHILADELPHIA, Feb. 26.—A general strike of clothing workers was called. Ten thousand persons are affected.

Work is Underway to Put Boardman Townsite in Shape

CROWD OF MEN ENGAGED IN GRADING THE STREETS OF THE NEW VILLAGE.

HEMISTON, Feb. 26.—(Special.)—Work was commenced last Monday on the Boardman townsite by a crew of men and teams began grading the streets. Owing to the severe winter the townsite company has been delayed in its operations but work will now be continued as rapidly as possible. When the streets are graded sidewalks and tree lines and grades will be established and trees planted along every street and around the entire town.

The railroad company has constructed a sidetrack and lumber will be unloaded in a few days on the lots of the lumber company adjoining the railroad right of way. The building of six business houses will then be commenced and others will be constructed later in March and April.

Doyle & Kennedy of Hermiston, who own the townsite, will erect an office building and open an office at Boardman and will handle the townsite and lands adjoining. They will sell the Northern Pacific lands and other private holdings and will have maps showing the homestead lands in that locality. All of these lands will be under the government canal and none will be offered except those that are to be irrigated this year. Announcement of the opening of these lands will be made in a few days.

A school building will be provided for the opening of the fall term this year. The townsite company will donate sites for church buildings.

Boardman is on the Columbia river and the main line of the O-W R. & N., just west of the junction of the new Coyote cut-off and the Spokane line. The lands adjoining are of the best grade of alfalfa soil and easy to reclaim. The water is ready for the land and the government is behind the proposition. Twenty years is given, without interest, on the water right and the private lands must be sold at lowest prices. The homestead lands are free and can be filed on in about 40 acre units to each entryman. The land slopes gently from the government canal toward the Columbia and there are many eighty and desirable tracts. Boardman will be the trading point for all land within six miles of the town, covering 20,000 acres of irrigated land. The main body of the lands of the great John Day project, on which new governments have just been made, lie from three to fifteen miles from Boardman.

To Teach Hat-Psychology



MRS. JOHN ALEXANDER ROGERS.

HEMISTON, Feb. 26.—Mrs. John Alexander Rogers, formerly Miss Mildred Bond, daughter of Mrs. Charles H. Bond, and Miss Nellie Ormond have just opened a society hat and blouse shop for women on Boston street.

Miss Ormond and Mrs. Rogers both studied art as a preliminary to their business venture, Mrs. Rogers having been a pupil at the Julian Art Academy in Paris.

They announce that they will urge customers to avoid garish colors and unharmonious effects. Study the psychology of the customer to provide most suitable hat. Please patrons, but be sure hats purchased suit buyer's style of beauty. Educate customers who have wrong ideas about color and styles in millinery.

Ten per cent of all the hat shop earnings will be given in three charities of which Mrs. Rogers is a patroness and director.

From having taken part in numerous society affairs during recent years both before and since her marriage, Mrs. Rogers now presides daily in the millinery shop, on the door of which is lettered "Mary Greenway, Hats and Blouses for Gentlemen." Miss Ormond assists.

At the opening which was for friends only, tea was served while the supply of hats was shown.

Later the hat shop was thrown open to the public and the new hat psychology as promulgated by Mrs. Rogers and Miss Ormond applied.

In explaining Mrs. Rogers said: "Don't mistake us. We have the most serious intentions. Miss Ormond and I have studied art. We have artistic ideas about hats and also ideas about the sort of persons that should wear certain sorts of hats. We wish to carry out our ideas—so we have started a shop.

"The best hats come from Paris because they have developed individuality most there.

"We disapprove of garishness, we shall educate those patrons who need educating. Every hat must be effective and in keeping with the style of beauty of the wearer.

"Ideals come first and profits second," declares Mrs. Rogers.

Wilson's Name to Go on Ballots at Primaries in May

PETITIONS ARE RECEIVED HERE AND WILL BE CIRCULATED AT ONCE.

Petitions for placing the name of Woodrow Wilson upon the ballots at the primary election in May as a candidate to succeed himself as president of the United States were received in Pendleton this morning by W. M. Peterson, chairman of the democratic central committee. Mr. Peterson will have the petitions circulated for signatures at once.

The petitions were sent out by the Woodrow Wilson League of Portland of which Dr. C. J. Smith is president, W. H. Arbuckle secretary and G. Y. Harry, treasurer. The placing of Wilson's name upon the ballot will give the democrats a chance to express their preference for a party candidate.

NEWS SUMMARY

General. French lose important fort defending Verdun is report. Berlin believes congress will force president to agree to warning question.

Local. Subscriptions roll in for Blewett harvester stock. Alleged Cove post office burglar in custody here. District attorney appeals from liquor decision. Woodrow Wilson petitions arrive in Pendleton.

GERMANS MAKE FIRST BREACH IN THE FORTS OF VERDUN; STRONG POSITION AT DOUAMONT IS REPORTED CAPTURED

MONEY ROLLS IN FOR FUND TO ESTABLISH THE BLEWETT HARVESTER PLANT IN CITY

This afternoon a total of \$17,000 had been raised locally toward a \$25,000 local fund for the establishment of the Blewett Harvester Co. in this city. A subscription of \$1500 was made yesterday by the Matlock Estate, this being second in size only to the subscription of McCook & Bentley.

Table listing subscription amounts: McCook & Bentley \$10,000, Matlock Estate 1,500, W. L. Thompson 500, E. E. Judd 500, H. D. Gray 500, J. F. Robinson 500, East Oregonian Pub Co. 500, Haley & Haley 500, H. Alexander 500, Dr. F. W. Vincent 500, Gus La Fontaine 500, The Peoples Warehouse 500, H. W. Collins 300, Charles Heard 100, C. P. A. Lonergan 100. Total \$17,000.

Aside from the above some other substantial subscriptions have been promised and it is the belief of those working in the plan that the necessary amount of Pendleton money will be forthcoming in a few days.

The establishment of the plant here however, is still contingent upon the raising of the \$25,000.

GEORGE A. CRESSY IS CANDIDATE FOR PLACE AS CO. COMMISSIONER

PROMINENT HERMISTON FARMER WILL SEEK DEMOCRATIC NOMINATION.

George A. Cressy, prominent Umatilla project farmer, today announced his candidacy for the democratic nomination for county commissioner and petitions are being prepared to place his name on the ballot at the coming primary election.

Mr. Cressy has been here today accompanied by Mrs. Cressy and consulted with various local people before announcing his candidacy. He has been strongly urged by west and people to make the race and his enthusiastic support from republicans as well as democrats in his section of the county.

Mr. Cressy was one of the pioneer settlers under the project and is a successful farmer and community leader in the Hermiston country. He is president of the Hermiston Jersey Breeders Association and president of the Umatilla River Waterusers Association, those positions attesting to the regard in which he is held by the people where he lives.

When the death of H. A. Waterman caused a vacancy on the county court Hermiston people united in urging the appointment of Mr. Cressy to the place. They are now backing his candidacy and are urging among other things that the west end of the county is entitled to representation on the county court.

Sausage casings made of wood pulp cellulose have been invented.

Police Blame Crank for Crones' Taunting Letters



JEAN CRONES

NEW YORK, Feb. 26.—Jean Crones, anarchist and poison chef, who is being hunted by 100,000 police throughout the country for his attempt to kill Archbishop Mundelein and 300 clergymen and laymen at a Chicago banquet, still is repeating his will-o'-the-wisp act.

That Crones is in the city, or at least in the metropolitan district, seems certain, but there is doubt that he is the man who is writing letters to newspapers and telephoning his thoughts and plans to editors. Some detectives think a crank is playing a big part in the Crones publicity campaign. Headquarters men are being aided by Chicago sleuths who know Crones by sight.

Bear Raid Today Sends Wheat Down to Lowest Figures

CHICAGO, Feb. 26.—Wheat dropped five and a half cents today, closing at one thirteen and a half, a new low mark for this crop. A determined bear raid, lower cables and nervousness over the international situation were responsible.

PORTLAND, Feb. 26.—May, 119 1-2; 113 1-2; July, 115 1-2-110 3-4.

LIVERPOOL, Feb. 26.—Wheat—Spot No. 2 hard winter, new 12s 9d; No. 2 hard winter, choice, 14s 7 1-2; No. 2 red winter, 12s 9d.

In American terms the top Liverpool prices for No. 2 hard winter is \$2.12 per bushel.

Appeal is Taken Against Decision of Justice Court

WHISKEY CASE WILL GO BEFORE JUDGE PHILIPS FOR FINAL RULING.

District Attorney Frederick Stawer has appealed to the circuit court from the decision of Justice Joe H. Parkes restoring to Walter Mountain the 32 gallon barrel of whiskey seized in the raid on the rooming house kept by his mother-in-law. It will thus be up to Judge Phelps to decide whether or not the interpretation of the prohibition law made by the justice of the peace in a proper one.

Mountain put in a claim for the whiskey, declaring it was stored in the rooming house and intended for his private use. He made a showing in the justice court to this effect and Judge Parkes ruled that, under the law, he was entitled to recover the liquor. It is to secure a circuit court ruling as a basis for future action that the district attorney is taking the appeal.

Permanent Organization of School Heads Likely to be Result of Gathering Here

With an attendance of 25 principals and superintendents, the annual meeting of the school heads of the county in this city today is proving the most successful ever conducted, and a formal organization will probably grow out of it. This morning the first session was held and the principals gave their endorsement to the professional certificate issued by the state superintendent. They also endorsed the idea of school fairs and will recommend to the county court that \$500 again be appropriated for this purpose. "The Complete Record Card" and "Eighth Grade Examinations" were other subjects discussed this morning. Another session is being held this afternoon.

Wilson's Opposition to the Plan of Warning Americans Explained by High Official

WASHINGTON, Feb. 26.—A high state department official today explained the reason for the administration's opposition to the issuance of a warning for Americans to keep off armed ships. He said that following the Lusitania torpedoing, Germany promised not to attack unarmed liners in the future without warning. Then, before the case was settled, the torpedoing of the Arabic occurred. In settling the Arabic case, Germany promised not to attack any liner without warning. After months of informal negotiations, Germany proposed a final reply in the Lusitania case satisfactory to the original American demands.

Senator Lewis, after a canvass, told some that opposition to Wilson could not prevail. He recommended a vote on the date and Jones recanted as usual as desired. Lewis has prepared a resolution to introduce Monday endorsing the president's stand.

Urgent Need Shown for Bridge Across River at the Junction; Freight Terminal Lively Spot

(East Oregonian Special.) PILOT ROCK JCT., Ore., Feb. 26.—We are glad to note the determination of our neighbor across the river to get a road opened and a suitable wagon bridge so they can come to our city without being classed as law breakers on account of trespassing on the railroad bridge the only means, at this place, of getting over at all. It is a shame that such good citizens as our Birch Creek ranchers have proven themselves to be should, of necessity, humiliate themselves with the knowledge that 5 days every week their children are guilty of breaking the law that they may acquire the education the laws of our land say they must have.

Reports Not Confirmed. LONDON, Feb. 26.—Reports that a Japanese fleet was in the Mediterranean are unfounded, the United Press was authoritatively informed today.

Farmers Union Meeting. At the Farmers Union Grain Agency on Court street the annual meeting of the county organization is on today with a score or more delegates from the different locals in attendance. A session was held during the forenoon and the afternoon session was still in progress at 2 o'clock.

LONDON, Feb. 26.—The Germans have captured the strong fortress of Douaumont four miles northeast of Verdun, Berlin headquarters announced. Paris did not confirm this claim. If Douaumont has been captured, it means the first breach has been made in the Verdun forts and indicates the Teuton offensive is seriously threatening the French stronghold. It is believed the entire French force defending Verdun from the north and northeast has been backed into the fortress under the most terrible strokes of the Germans since the offensive started.

Cote Du Poivre, the key to the city's northern defenses, has been regarded as impregnable, but reports indicate the French front has collapsed from there to Pepper Heights. Paris admitted the Germans had assailed the armored trenches and redoubts there. A communique said the French had taken new positions on the Meuse Hills but did not state their definite location.

From Douaumont the Germans can bombard Fuzes Devaux, Detavernes and Dabellville and sweep the northern plain about the city with a fire which infantry cannot withstand. This may prove the most sanguinary battle of the war. It was accepted here that both sides have lost over 100,000 men. French estimates place the German loss at 150,000 but this is considered somewhat high, though it is probable nearly two corps have been wiped out in mass attacks against the strongest field positions the world has ever known.

Undoubtedly the Germans have entered all their resources upon the Verdun drive, hoping to make a way to Paris and bring an early end to the war. French reports indicate the Teutons have taken guns from the Russian fortifications to supply their needs and others were brought from Serbia. The French have been thrown back nearly four miles along an eight mile front before the city.

A later Berlin statement reported the capture of positions southwest and east of Louvemont. It was admitted that yesterday's report of the capture of Champagneville was incorrect. The statement indicated that although the French right was retreating, the left was resting along the Meuse where the heights have been maintained despite to German onslaughts.

The English attacked east of Maas and Armentieres last night. Berlin claimed they were repulsed.

Pendleton Basket Ball Team Defeats La Grande, 42-14

LAST GAME OF THE SEASON IS TAKEN BY LOCALS AFTER FAST CONTEST.

Pendleton high's basketball team last night took La Grande into camp and put them to sleep when they won, 42 to 14. The game was perhaps the fastest, hardest fought and most thrilling game ever played on the local floor.

Siebert for Pendleton started the scoring by making the first field basket. Head of the visitors, they retaliated and added two points. Gordon then added two points for the locals. Then La Grande came into the lead one point on a foul and field basket. At this point the locals rallied. Siebert annexed two points, Fowler made two fouls and a field basket. La Grande was now in the lead from then on. The first half ended 15 to 7 for Pendleton.

At the beginning of the second half things went slow until the corners of the side lines waked up. Fowler.

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STANFIELD HIGH DEBATING TEAM WINS AGAINST ECHO

STANFIELD, Ore., Feb. 26.—(Special.)—By a unanimous decision last evening the Stanfield high school debating team won from the Echo team in this city, and the victory gave to the local school the championship of the west end of the county. The Hermiston high school having been previously defeated. Echo and Hermiston will debate two weeks from last night for second honors and Stanfield will meet the winner of the east end series for the championship of the county.

The Stanfield team last evening defeated the negative of the question, "Resolved, That the United States should adopt the essential features of..." (Continued on page eight.)